

ABSTRACT

At the rear of liquid crystal display elements 11R, 11G, and 11B, each for displaying one component of a primary color, a red EL light source 10R, a green EL light source 10G and a blue EL light source 10B for emitting red color light, green color light, and blue color light are disposed, respectively. Each EL light source includes an organic EL element in which an organic thin film emits light. Each EL light source has a structure in which an organic luminescent layer 14 is sandwiched between an ITO electrode 13 and a metal electrode 15 which have striped patterns which are orthogonal to each other, and sections (luminescent sections) at which the striped patterns of the ITO electrode 13 and the metal electrode 15 intersect with each other emit light. The luminescent sections are arrayed two-dimensionally on a glass substrate 12 and illuminate the entire display area of the liquid crystal display element.

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